REMARKS

Applicant has read and considered the Office Action dated June 28, 2004 and the references cited therein. Claim 19 has now been amended. Claims 1-20 are pending. In the Action, claims 1-18 were rejected under the judicially created doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-9 of U.S. Patent No. 6,533,946 in view of Willis, U.S. Patent No. 5,814,230. Applicant asserts that the present invention is not obvious in view of the combination of references. However, solely to advance this application, Applicant has provided a terminal disclaimer over U.S. Patent No. 6,533,946 and Applicant asserts that the rejection is traversed.

Claims 19 and 20 were allowed. Claim 19 has been amended only to provide greater clarity. Applicant thanks the Examiner for the allowance for these claims.

The specification has been amended to have it read more clearly. No new matter has been added.

A speedy and favorable action on the merits is hereby solicited. If the Examiner feels that a telephone interview may be helpful in this matter, please contact Applicant's representative at 612.336.4728.

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